

City Manager's Office: Hermosa Beach City Council Meeting Updates

Updated 10/16/17

A brief summary of important City Council updates discussed during the Oct. 10, 2017 regularly scheduled meeting are listed below:

City Council's Downtown Subcommittee & Downtown Enhancement Plan

- Council received an update from the subcommittee comprised of city staff, Mayor Massey and Councilmember Armato, which had been meeting for the past several months
- Council reviewed a time-lapse video of weekend activity from an early afternoon through evening filmed over an 8-hour span in Pier Plaza. The video was commissioned by the committee to bring context to the discussion and illustrate the safety concerns that officers, patrons and business owners have raised.
- In a 5-0 decision, City Council supported the plan (available here) and the general recommendation of focusing on four initial strategies known as 'Tracks' to improve downtown and mitigate negative impacts of late night activities
 - Track 1: Crime Prevention through Environmental Design
 - Track 2: Enhanced Enforcement Presence/Prevention Through Education
 - Track 3: Land Use/Economic Vitality & Incentives
 - Track 4: Compliance Mechanisms/Legislative Tools
- City Council approved the Planning Commission's request to increase review of incidents downtown from 2x to 3x per year. Staff was also directed to continue prioritizing lighting in the downtown area. City staff is currently performing a Lighting Assessment and Design Recommendations with a consultant and will present findings and recommendations at a future City Council meeting in 2017

Agreement for Document Scanning and Electronic Document Management Services

 Council approved a contract for these services, allowing greater efficiencies for City staff records keeping and also allowing residents and community members more efficient and timely access to information and public records requests

Grant Application for California Energy Commission Microgrid Demonstration Project

Council approved City staff submitting a grant application for funding of a High
Resilience Energy Microgrid for Hermosa Beach's public safety facilities. The use of such
system will provide greater resiliency and back-up systems to power all City
departments and services in the event of a crisis or disaster; ultimately allowing
Hermosa Beach to operate indefinitely in stand-alone mode during existing grid
blackouts

Storm Drain Master Plan, Sewer Master Plan, Pavement Program, Sidewalk Condition Assessment and Recommendation on CIP Projects

 City Council supported plans and complemented Public Works staff for comprehensive planning docs

- Staff was directed to commence work for designs on individual streets, sewers, storm and sidewalk projects
- Monthly progress reports will be published by the Public Works department and shared with Hermosa Beach community

8th Street Improvements

 Due to late hour, this item was continued and will be discussed at an upcoming City Council meeting

Questions or comments? Contact the City Manager Sergio Gonzalez Monday through Thursday, 7AM- 6PM at (310) 318-0216. You many also email the City Manager at sgonzalez@hermosabch.org.